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L. S. G. (1933) Department.

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G.O. No. 1591 P.H.

DATED 19-7-1933

[Despatch Abstract.]

Fairs and festivals –

Puttur Taluk Board (South Kanara) – Cattle fair at Kulgunda – Levy of contribution from temple authorities – Papers recorded.

Extract of Collector's remarks on the administration
local boards in the
report of the South Kanara Dt for 31-32

Fairs and Festivals The district board is put annually to heavy expense for the Mulgunda fair and festival. It seems very desirable that temples which make large profits out of such festivals should be made to contribute to the expenditure which devolves on the district board for water and conservancy arrangements. What is needed is toll-gates for pilgrims. The temple defends its collections by saying that the pilgrims are fed free in large numbers. In that case the pilgrim should not grudge paying a small entrance fee to this hospitality. This is particularly the case when the festivals are in the middle of forests as in the case of Mulgunda in South Kanara and Srisailam in Kurnool District.

No. 13312A/33

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Subject - Fairs and festivals -
Pattan Taluk Board * (S. Kanara)
Annual festival at Kulgunda
- Levy of a contribution from
temple authorities.

Memo. No. 13312 A-1 E2 PH
15-5-33

The Govt understand
that besides the annual
cattle fair a festival
also is held every year
(and that the Bd. did not levy a fair cess on the
visitors pilgrim attending)
at Kulgunda. The Pattan
Taluk Board is requested to
consider whether
~~it does not appear to be~~
should not be levied
a contribution from the
temple authorities under
section 12 (8) of the MLB
Act 1920. The Bd is accordingly
~~requested to levy the~~
contribution it should address Govt furnishing the
~~Pattan is requested to~~
~~furnish the~~ following details.
(i) the number of pilgrims
that attend the festival
during each of the last

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three years,

(ii) the expenditure incurred by the Taluk Board authorised on special Sanitary arrangement connected with the festival during each of the last three years,

(iii) the income ~~year~~ derived by the ~~Taluk~~ boards by the lease of sites during the festival in each of the last three years and

(iv) whether the temple authorities are willing and can afford to contribute to the cost of the new expenditure incurred by the ~~Taluk~~ boards.

2. The reply should be forwarded through the P. D. B. South Kanara and the Collector of South Kanara. The Collector while forwarding the reply from the P. T. B. Patwa is requested to say whether Kukkundoor is a place of pilgrimage within the meaning of section 128 of the M. L. B. Act, 1920.

To The P. T. B. Patwa
" P. D. B. South Kanara
" Coll. South Kanara

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Levy of - contribution fr. temple authorities -

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The receipt may be kept here
to P.D.R. and Collector may be
informed.

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Dis. C. No. 194 Emp'33.

ENCLOSURES.
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Station Puttur, Dated the 24th May 19 33

From (Name) M. B. B. Shiva Rao, Avergal.
(Designation) President, Puttur Taluk Board.

To The Secretary to the Government of Madras,
Local Self Government Department.
Public Health, M A D R A S.

Through
The President,
District Board, South Kanara.
and
The Collector of
South Kanara.

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The expenditure incurred by the District Board on the cattle fair cannot be said to be heavy in as much as the supply of cattle required for practically the whole district is got from the place. The net expenditure deducting the income derived by the levy of fees on cattle etc does not exceed .1,00 a year. Last year the net expenditure was only .700/-. If, as the Collector has proposed, the rate of tax is increased fro: two annas to two and a half annas - giving the extra half anna to the Board, the expenditure may possibly balance the income xx and the District Board will - have to spend almost nothing.

Your most obedient servant.

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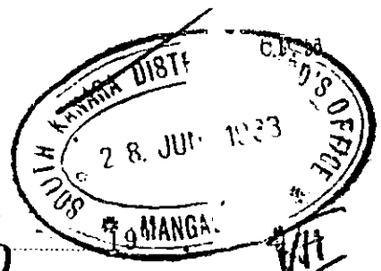

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Fairs and Festivals - Puttur Taluk - Annual festival at Kulgunda

Levy of - contribution from temple authorities -

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Through the Collector of South
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To The P.W.D. [illegible]

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Your most obedient servant.

President.
Puttur Taluk Board.

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N. Dis 2495/33.

Endorsement by M. R.Ry A.B.Shetty Avargal, M.L.C.,

President, District Board, South Kanara.

Submitted to Government through the Collector of South Kanara for favourable orders.

President, District Board,
South Kanara.

Mangalore 12.6.1933

Here enter Government Memorandum No.24368-1E2 P.H. dated 26.6.33.

Forwarded through the Collector of South Kanara.

President, District Board,
South Kanara.

Mangalore, 28-6-33.

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I. Dis. 2564--33.

South Kanara Collector's Office,
Mangalore, dated 1st July 1933.

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From

E. M. Gawne, Esq, I.C.S.,
Collector of South Kanara.

To

The Secretary to Government,
Local Self Government (Public Health) Department,
MADRAS.

S i r,

Fairs and Festivals-- Puttur Taluk Board--Annual festival at Kulgunda--levy of contribution from temple authorities.

Ref:- Government's Memorandum No. 13312-A-1-E2-P-H. dated 15th May 1933.

In submitting herewith the report F. Dis. C. No. 194 dated 24th May 1933 of the President, Taluk Board, Puttur, received from the President, District Board, South Kanara, I would inform you that Kulgunda is not a place of pilgrimage within the meaning of section 128 of the Madras Local Boards Act, 1920, nor is any festival held there. Kulgunda is a place where only an annual cattle fair is held. The festival is held at Subrahmania. See para 3 below.

2. Para 2 of the President, Taluk Board's reference:- At present the Chief Conservator of Forests, Madras, sanctions every year the levy of a grazing fee of one anna a head on cattle brought to the Kulgunda cattle fair and actually a consolidated fee of annas two a head is collected. Half is paid to the local board This is a long standing arrangement and its origin cannot be traced. The present arrangements at Kulgunda require improvement as a very large number of cattle are brought to the fair but the District Board expect the costs of the improvements to be defrayed from receipts. There is no provision in the Madras

Local Boards Act by which the local board can not collect any money at fairs. I thought, therefore, that the only way would be -- to collect more money by increasing the grazing fee to 3 annas a head, 2 annas to go to the local board for its arrangement and the remaining one anna to the Forest Department as usual. I accordingly addressed the Chief Conservator of Forests, Madras, to get his approval but we did not agree, holding that the Forest Department was sufficiently unpopular already. I therefore dropped the idea of raising the fee. Further, the Taluk Board, Puttur also resolved that the Board is disinclined to enhance the fee.

3. It is true that the Sasti festival at Subramania coincides with the cattle fair. Subramania is about two miles away. It is difficult to say however that the festival gains importance from the cattle fair. The festival has its own importance as evidenced by the fact that annually the Maharajah of Mysore makes a very large contribution. People go to the Subramania festival who certainly have no interest in the purchase of cattle. I do not think therefore that for any arrangements at Kulgunda the temple authorities could be called on to make a contribution.

Your obedient servant,

Collector.

Cr. No. 193/2A/33 — Ex. 4(P-H*)

Subject — Fairs and festivals — South Kanara District Board — Kulgunda fair and festival — levy of contribution from the temple authorities.

The annual cattle fair at Kulgunda was managed by the South Kanara District Board prior to the coming into force of the Amended M.L.B. Act of 1930. In Cr. No. 2148 P.H. of 10-11-1931 the Puttur Taluk Board and the South Kanara Dt. Board were requested to have the cattle fair classified as a taluk fair under rule 3(2) of schedule V of the Act. The cattle fair is now being managed by the Puttur Taluk board. The net expenditure incurred on sanitary arrangements in connection with the annual cattle fair will be about Rs 1000/ per annum. In connection with the cattle fair of 1930 and 1931 the District Board paid the Taluk board a contribution equal to the net expenditure incurred.

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It would appear from the Collector's remarks that a festival also is held at Kulasekaram and that the temple authorities are making a profit out of the festival. There is thus a case for the levy of a contribution under section 128 of the M.L.G. Act, 1920, C 13312 A

[illegible] What is recommended by the Collector however is the levy of pilgrim tax as a finance measure for water supply and conservancy arrangements. The remarks of the Revenue Divisional Board may perhaps be called for on the Collector's proposal.

[illegible] Is the place served by the railway?

[illegible]

Even if the place is not served by the railway [illegible] the pilgrim tax cannot be levied. The taluk board may be asked to consider whether a contribution should not be levied from the temple authorities.

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With reference to the ~~orders~~ ~~on page 2~~ ~~supra~~ a draft memo is submitted below for approval.

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[O.n. No. 13312 A-1 E 2 S.H.Q 15-5-1933]

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No. 26538 from the P.T.B. Patna No. 194 S dt. 5-5-33. from the Govt of South Kanara No. 25648 1-7-1933.

Please see the report of the P.T.B. Patna on pages 6-7 ff and the remarks of the Govt on pages 9-10 ff. No further action is necessary. The papers may be recorded. The draft order below is for approval.

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L. S. G. (P.H.) DEPARTMENT.

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Fairs and festivals — Puttur Taluk Board (South Kanara) — cattle fair at Kulgunda — levy of contribution from temple authorities — Papers recorded

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READ ALSO:—

C. No. 24368 From the P.T.B. Puttur, No. 194, dated 24-5-1933

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ORDER.

No. 1591 Pht, dated 19.7.1933

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2 As it is reported that no festival but only a 14-7-33. cattle fair is held at Kulgunda and as Kulgunda is not a place of pilgrimage within the meaning of Sec. 128 of the Madras Local Boards Act, 1920, the Govt. do not consider it necessary to sanction the levy of a contribution by the Puttur TKBd from the temple authorities towards the cost of special sanitary arrangements made in respect of the cattle fair at Kulgunda.

15.7.33

To

The P.T.B. Puttur

" P.D.B. South Kanara

(with copy of his letter dt. cited above)

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